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# 7:30 pm Thursday, December 10, 2020 SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

Note: This meeting will be held virtually, via bluejeans.

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

# **VIRTUAL MEETING RULES**

Note: Chair Cindy Harding will manage the meeting; Diana Griffith and Stacy Mann will manage the virtual aspects.

Please remain muted when not speaking.

Board members: Please identify yourself when making motions and seconds.

Meeting visitors may raise questions in the chat box. Diana Griffith will respond.

### **INTRODUCTIONS**

Introductions of meeting guests

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Discussion and vote on the application to preserve the Larry and Suzanne Harpster farm, parcel number 24-005-,029-,0000-.

Narrative: Larry and Suzanne Harpster farm, formerly the Joseph Fye farm, an 83-acre crop operation at 6100 Tadpole Road in Pennsylvania Furnace, Ferguson Township. The farm is in the Ferguson Township Agricultural Security Area. Forty-nine (49) acres are dedicated to growing corn, wheat, sorghum, alfalfa grass hay and grass hay. This new application from the Harpsters was received August 18, 2020, after a stewardship visit to the property. On evaluation, the parcel has ranked #2 on the 2020 ranked parcel list with a score of 77.039. Approximately 22 acres of woodland were excluded from the property's LESA evaluation, bringing the ranked acres to 57.09. The Harpsters would like to donate the development rights to the excluded woodland. The Harpsters are currently operating under the Fye conservation plan on file with the NRCS.

**Recommendation:** That the Board review the Harpster application for the PACE program and vote to authorize an appraisal of the property.

#### AG LAND COORDINATOR'S INFORMATIONAL REPORT

## ITEMS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for **7:30 pm Thursday**, **January 28**, **2021**, and likely will be held remotely. A link to participate will be provided.